

FAMILY COURT OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

EXAMPLES OF ORDERS

*These are general examples only.
Parties should take legal advice before seeking orders.*

PART 1. PARENTING ORDERS

Residence

1. The children Jack Smith born on 25 January 1992 and Jill Smith born on 8 April 1996 reside with the wife/husband/mother/father.

Long term care (decision making)

2. The husband and the wife/The father and the mother have joint responsibility for the long-term care, welfare and development of the children.

Day to day care

3. The wife/husband/mother/father have sole responsibility for the day-to-day care, welfare and development of the children.

Contact

4. The wife/husband/mother/father have reasonable contact with the child/ren as agreed between the parties.

OR

Defined contact

Note – These are not recommended times. They are examples and will only be appropriate for some families. There is no need to specify times if you feel you can work these out with the other party. In this example the children reside with the husband and the wife has contact.

4. The wife have contact with the children Jack Smith born on 25 January 1992 and Jill Smith born on 8 April 1996 as follows:
 - a) Each alternate weekend from 9 am on Saturday until 5 pm on Sunday, extending to 5.00 pm on Monday if the weekend is a long weekend.

- b) The weekend contact described in paragraph (a) be suspended during school holiday periods.
- c) Each year from 5 pm on the Saturday until 5 pm on the Sunday of the Mothers' Day weekend, if that time is not already a contact period under this order.
- d) Contact be suspended on the weekend of Fathers' Day each year from 5 pm on the Saturday until 5 pm on the Sunday.
- e) One half of each of the school holiday periods at the conclusion of Terms 1, 2 & 3 each year, commencing at 5 pm on the Friday of the last week of term.
- f) The expression "school holiday period(s)" in these orders means the period from 5 pm on the last day of the school term to 5 pm on the day immediately before the start of the next term.
- g) Three weeks during the Christmas school holidays each year, commencing at 9 am on the first Saturday in January.
- h) Each alternate Christmas from 5 pm on 24 December until 10 am on 26 December commencing in 2001.
- i) Each intervening Christmas from 10 am on 26 December until 10 am on 28 December, commencing in 2002.
- j) Each alternate Easter from 5 pm on Thursday until 5pm on Monday, commencing in 2003. If Easter falls during the school holidays at the conclusion of Term 1, the contact shall form part of the wife's contact period for that holiday.
- k) On the children's birthdays each year from 9 am to 2 pm, provided the birthday does not fall on a school day.
- l) Telephone contact for up to 15 minutes on each of the children's birthdays if the birthday falls on a school day.
- m) Telephone contact for up to 15 minutes each Wednesday, with the mother to initiate the call between 6.30 pm and 7 pm.
- n) The mother collect the children from the husband's residence at the start of contact periods and return them to his residence at the end of contact periods.